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**Air**

Albuquerque Journal [Received 8/5] -- CLOSED 8/7 -- Sent reviewed responses on ozone.

American Gardener [rec'd 8/7] -- OPEN -- Follow up, asking us to fact check info from outside the agency. DDL 8/14 but flexible.

Argus Leader (rec'd 8/6) -- CLOSED 8/7 -- Staffed interview on SD state targets under CPP.

Arizona Daily Star (rec'd 8/6) -- CLOSED 8/6 -- Sent reviewed statement on AZ's request for a stay of the CPP.

Discovery Channel Canada [rec'd 7/27] -- OPEN -- wants to visit AA lab for segment on the HD dynos. Asking for more info, scouting shots. DDL is flexible, but they're thinking of including the lab during their fall theme week of "Extreme Machines." (Once the pitch email is ready, I'll send it to the producer.)

Filmmaker (Nick Caiazza of Blackwaters Drifters) [Received 7/22] -- OPEN -- Backgrounder request on mercury pollution from coal fired power plants. Awaiting approval from OPS to move forward. DDL: 8/10.

Houston Chronicle [Received 8/5] -- CLOSED 8/7 -- Sent clarifying quotes on ozone for use in article.

KHI (rec'd 8/7) -- CLOSED 8/7 -- Sent top-level explainer of CPP.

KVMR-FM [Received 6/23] -- OPEN -- Air quality index. Request with program. DDL: flex.

OPIS (rec'd 8/6) – OPEN – For series on the RFS, first set of questions deals with the Quality Assurance Program. With program. DDL COB Mon.

Radford professor/freelance environmental reporter [rec'd 7/29] – OPEN – Use of MMT in US and worldwide. DDL COB Friday but flexible. (I think Ben started working on this one.)

Newsweek [Received 8/7] -- CLOSED 8/7 -- Sent reviewed response on national GHG emissions.

Platts [rec'd 7/27] – OPEN – request for Chris Grundler interview on RFS. With program. DDL flexible.

Reuters [Received 8/6] -- CLOSED 8/7 -- Gave approval of on-camera interviews with Janet McCabe and Joel Beauvais on CIRA and sustainability.

Wall Street Journal [rec'd 7/27] – OPEN - performance of Tier 4 engines. With program. DDL flexible.

Weston (Missouri) Chronicle (rec'd 8/6) – CLOSED – Sent list of power plants and info on Kansas City laton plant.

### **Animas River Spill**

Al Jazeera, AP, Bloomberg News, CBS News, The Guardian, New York Times, Newsweek, Wired.  
CLOSED

### **Enforcement & Compliance**

Courier-Journal, The [Received 8/6] – CLOSED 8/6 – Louisville reporter having trouble accessing Arch Coal docs (problem may be on his end).

Law360 [Received 8/6] – CLOSED 8/6 – Questions about specific numbers in Arch Coal release. Sent

program response to Monica for review. Deadline 8/6.

## **Clean Power Plan**

Argus Leader; Bloomberg; Hannah News Service; KHI News Service; Michigan Radio; News & Record; StarTribune; Utility Dive: CLOSED

## **International and Tribal Affairs**

State Department (Foreign Press Center) [Received 7/22] -- OPEN -- Seeking EPA senior officials to address 15 foreign reporters on climate change's impact on oceans. Working with FPC and OP, OW and OITA to make it happen the week of 8/17.

## **Pesticides**

Daily Gazette (Schenectady) [Received 7/14]-- OPEN- Asking about Mosquito control. Sent many links from website. May have follow up.

Dope Magazine [Received 7/29]—CLOSED—Asking about pesticides used on marijuana plants.

Freelance writer/editor Alliance for Food and Farm [Received 7/28]—CLOSED—Asking to talk to someone about synthetic pesticides.

Wired Magazine [Received 8/6]—CLOSED- Asking about Pesticides used on tobacco plants.

## **Research and Development**

Nat Geo [Received 8/4]—OPEN—Looking for

The Lancet [Received 8/3]—CLOSED—Asking about WTC study. Sent statement.

Public Source [Received 7/31]—CLOSED -- EPA efforts to help citizens do their own air quality monitoring.

WAMU Kojo Nnamdi [Received 8/5]—OPEN—Understanding local air pollution.

Chemical and Engineering News [ Received 8/5]—OPEN—Citizen Science workshop.

### **Solid Waste and Emergency Response**

Bloomberg BNA [Received 8/7] – OPEN – Vapor intrusion questions, sent to program. Deadline 8/11.

Ensia [Received 7/22] – OPEN – Questions about pharmaceuticals in the environment. Story will talk about where these drugs are coming from, where they're going in the environment and what effects they may be having. Edited response from OSWER. Received info from OAR and ORD. Sent compiled response to OPS. Sent two of four responses per OPS. Following up on the others. Article now in editing.

Freelancer [Received 7/30] – OPEN – Asking for quote from an EPA lead specialist. Requested more info from reporter. No deadline given.

Greenwire [Received 7/31] – OPEN – Questions re: a report of possible pesticide/chemical spraying on interior office plants at EPA offices in Crystal City in 2014. Program coordinated with OARM and sent response. George and Laura reviewing.

Inside EPA [Received 8/5] – OPEN – Q about comments on guidance for hazardous waste disposal facilities' post-closure period. Program working on it. Deadline extended to 8/11.

Inside EPA [Received 8/7] – OPEN – Requested tps for Barnes Johnson's scheduled talk on 8/11. None available. Ppt after the presentation may be an option. No deadline.

NBC Bay Area Investigative Unit [Received 6/26] – OPEN – Investigative Producer requesting interview about pesticides and other contaminants on military base housing in California. Deadline: not set.

Wall Street Journal (rec'd 8/7) – CLOSED 8/7 – Declined interview on consumer food waste for The Numbers column.

## **Toxics**

BNA Right-to-know [Received 7/24]—CLOSED—Asking about testing under TSCA and how many tests EPA must do versus companies. Will do interview later.

CNN [Received 5/8]—OPEN—Asking about new policy on vitro testing for EDSP. DDL: OPEN.

Farm World [Received 7/27]—CLOSED--Wants interview on Green Chemistry. Interview happened.

Green Governance [Received 6/24]—CLOSED—Wants to do a radio program on safer choice. Schedule for late July

KC TV5 [Received 7/15]—CLOSED—Talking about mercury in schools and testing.

Science Magazine [Received 6/24]—CLOSED—Wants an interview on EDSP. Interview happened today. Will have follow up.

Lifetzette [Received 7/30]—CLOSED- Asking about hazards around the home. Will send links to bed bugs and safer choice.

## **Voluntary**

Consumer Reports [Received 8/6] -- CLOSED 8/7 - Sent reviewed responses on labeling and refrigeration specification.

## **Water**

Forum News Service (ND) [Received 8/5] – CLOSED – Clean Water Rule litigation

CNN [Received 8/4] – CLOSED – Fluoridation

Circle of Blue [Received 8/3] – OPEN – General Clean Water Act questions; in program (OW) – DDL 8/12

The Gazette (Iowa City, IA) [Received 8/3] – CLOSED - Presidential candidate's Clean Water Rule claim

Independent Filmmaker [Received 7/22] – OPEN - Hypoxia Dead Zone; discussing request for multiple interviews with OW/OWM and OPS – DDL Flex.

New Eastern Outlook [Received 8/5] – CLOSED - Bioterrorism

Water World Mag [Received 7/22] – OPEN – Questions on the cooling water intake regulations. Request with program. DDL 9/4

